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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated May 5, 2005, please reconsider the aboveidentified application based on the following:

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